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Virginia Standards of Learning

The complete set of items that appeared on the Spring 2000 Standards of Learning test taken by most public school students in Virginia is presented in the following pages. The intent of this release of these test questions is to provide parents and teachers additional information to accompany the Student Performance Report and/or the Parent Report.

The information accompanying each test question is broken into several components:

Reporting Category: Matches the score report and allows for identification of strengths and weaknesses indicated by student scores.

Standard of Learning: Presents the SOL used in developing the assessment question.

Builds On: Indicates what the student has studied in previous course work.

Instruction: Provides information for teachers to use as the SOL is incorporated into instruction.

The answer to each question can be found in the back of the booklet.



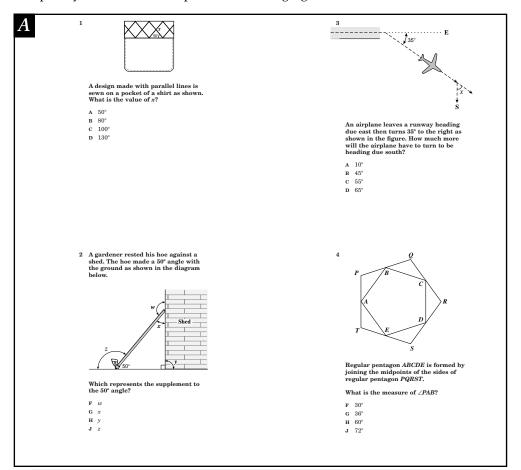




Reporting Category: Lines and Angles

A. Standard of Learning: G.3 The student will solve practical problems involving complementary, supplementary, and congruent angles that include vertical angles, angles formed when parallel lines are cut by a transversal, and angles in polygons.

Builds On: Students begin studying angles in the grade 3 SOL and progress in complexity of the relationships studied through grade 8 SOL.



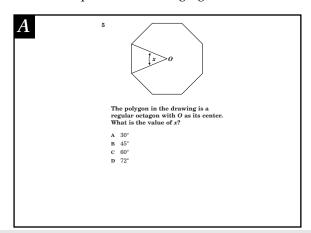
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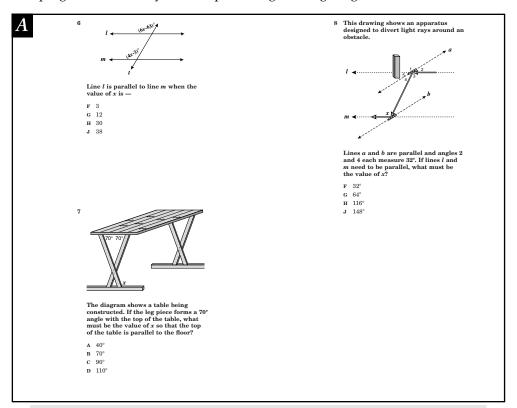


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A. Standard of Learning: G.4 The student will use the relationships between angles formed by two lines cut by a transversal to determine if two lines are parallel and verify, using algebraic and coordinate methods as well as deductive proofs.

Builds On: Students begin to study the concept of parallelism in the grade 4 SOL and progress in difficulty of concepts through the eighth grade SOL.

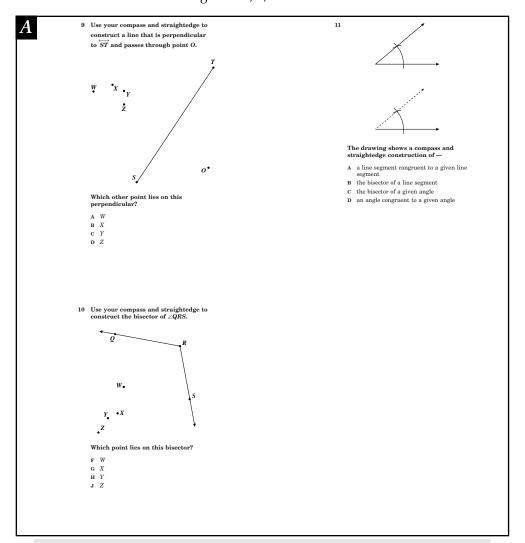


Instruction: Provide students with an opportunity to analyze diagrams in problem situations and apply the relationships of angles to determine if lines are parallel.



A. Standard of Learning: G.11 The student will construct, using a compass and straightedge, a line segment congruent to a given line segment, the bisector of a line segment, a perpendicular to a given line from a point not on the line, a perpendicular to a given line at a point on the line, the bisector of a given angle, and an angle congruent to a given angle.

Builds On: Students begin drawing representations of figures in grade 3 SOL and move into constructions in the grades 6, 7, and 8 SOL.



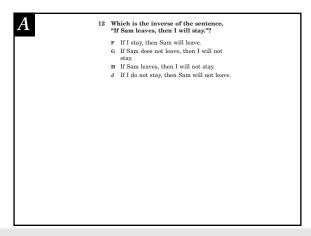
Instruction: Provide students with an opportunity to identify what construction is modeled in a diagram; to do a construction and determine through which points a construction passes.



Reporting Category: Triangles and Logic

A. Standard of Learning: G.1.a The student will construct and judge the validity of a logical argument consisting of a set of premises and a conclusion. This will include identifying the converse, inverse, and contrapositive of a conditional statement.

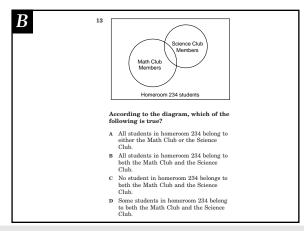
Builds On: Students begin to use reasoning skills in Kindergarten SOL. The complexity of the situations and the need for justification increase through the grade 8 SOL.



Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to determine the inverse of a statement.

B. Standard of Learning: G.1.c The student will construct and judge the validity of a logical argument consisting of a set of premises and a conclusion. This will include diagramming arguments involving quantifiers (all, no, none, some), using Venn diagrams.

Builds On: Students begin to use reasoning skills in Kindergarten SOL. The complexity of the situations and the need for justification increase through the grade 8 SOL.



Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to analyze information presented in a Venn diagram.

Geometry

A. Standard of Learning: G.5.a The student will investigate and identify congruence and similarity relationships between triangles.

Builds On: Students begin studying the concepts of congruence and similarity in the grade 6 SOL.

A

14 AB || CD

Which relationship is true about ΔAPB and ΔDPC?

F They are congruent.
G They are similar.
H They are equal in area.
J They are equal in perimeter.

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B

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B

C

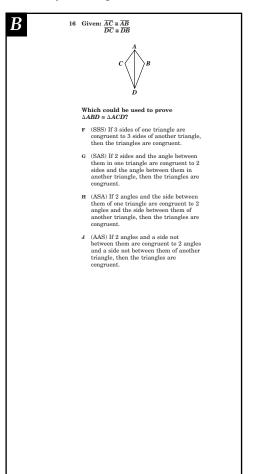
In quadrilateral ABCD, AB is parallel to DC and the diagonals intersect at E. Which statement is true?

A No triangles in the figure are similar.
B ΔADE is similar to ΔBCE.
C ΔABD is similar to ΔBCE.
C ΔABE is similar to ΔCDE.

Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to identify similar triangles based on measurements in a diagram; and to determine that two triangles are similar from information given in a statement.

B. Standard of Learning: G.5.b The student will prove two triangles are congruent or similar given information in the form of a figure or statement, using algebraic and coordinate as well as deductive proofs.

Builds On: Students begin studying the concepts of congruence and similarity in the grade 6 SOL.



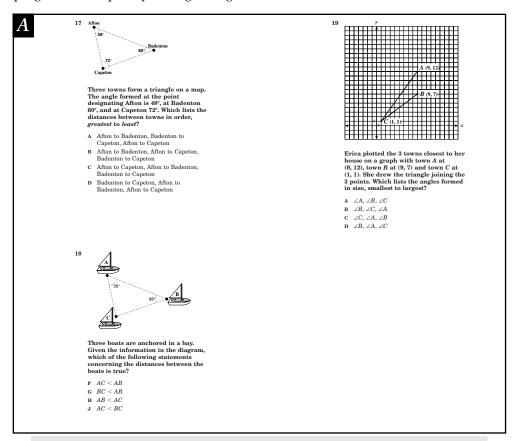
Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to determine the appropriate postulate or theorem that proves two triangles congruent.

End of Course



A. Standard of Learning: G.6 The student, given information concerning the lengths of sides and/or measures of angles, will apply the triangle inequality properties to determine whether a triangle exists and to order sides and angles. These concepts will be considered in the context of practical situations.

Builds On: Students begin to study triangles in the Kindergarten SOL and progress in complexity through the grade 8 SOL.

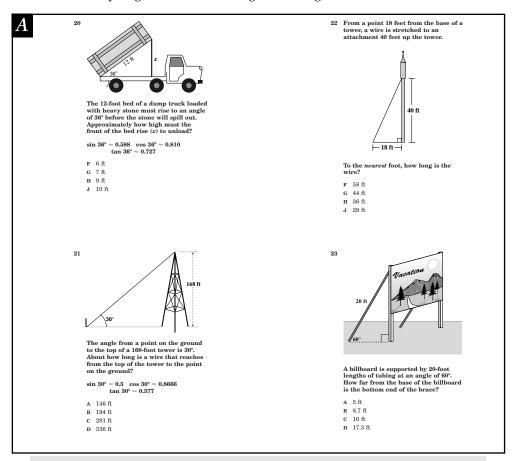


Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to view a graph of a triangle and determine the relative size of the angles; to determine the relationship of sides of a triangle by analyzing a diagram; and to order the distances between points based on a triangular arrangement and angle values.



A. Standard of Learning: G.7 The student will solve practical problems involving right triangles by using the Pythagorean Theorem and its converse, properties of special right triangles, and right triangle trigonometry. Calculators will be used to solve problems and find decimal approximations for the solutions.

Builds On: Students begin working with right triangles in the grade 5 SOL, and work with the Pythagorean Theorem begins in the grade 8 SOL.



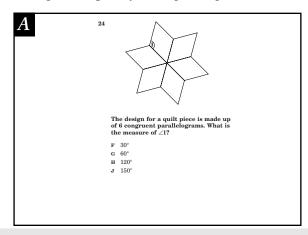
Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to apply the properties of 30-60-90 right triangles to problems; to solve problems using right triangle trigonometry; and to apply the Pythagorean Theorem.



Reporting Category: Polygons and Circles

A. Standard of Learning: G.8.a The student will investigate and identify properties of quadrilaterals involving opposite sides and angles, consecutive sides and angles, and diagonals.

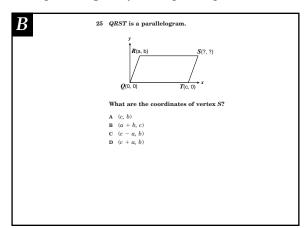
Builds On: Students begin studying the characteristics of quadrilaterals in the grade 1 SOL continuing in complexity through the grade 8 SOL.



Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to determine the angle measures of a parallelogram in a complex diagram.

B. Standard of Learning: G.8.b The student will prove these properties of quadrilaterals using algebraic and coordinate as well as deductive proofs.

Builds On: Students begin studying the characteristics of quadrilaterals in the grade 1 SOL continuing in complexity through the grade 8 SOL.

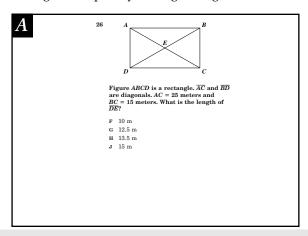


Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to determine the coordinates of the fourth vertex of a quadrilateral when the coordinates are variables.



A. Standard of Learning: G.8.c The student will use properties of quadrilaterals to solve practical problems.

Builds On: Students begin studying the characteristics of quadrilaterals in the grade 1 SOL continuing in complexity through the grade 8 SOL.

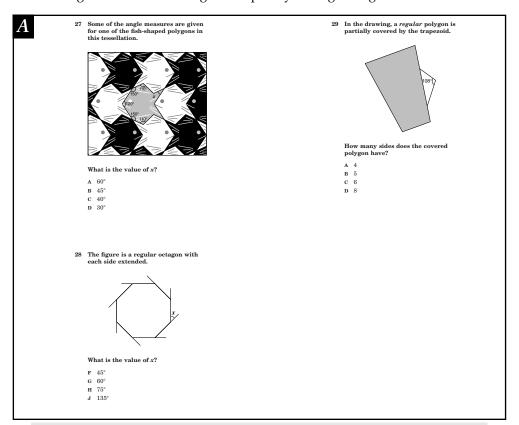


Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to apply the properties of rectangles to solve problems.



A. Standard of Learning: G.9 The student will use measures of interior and exterior angles of polygons to solve problems. Tessellations and tiling problems will be used to make connections to art, construction, and nature.

Builds On: Students begin studying interior and exterior angles and tesslation in the Kindergarten SOL increasing in complexity through the grade 8 SOL.



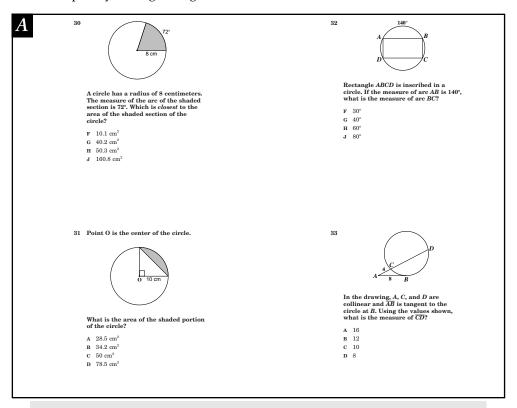
Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to apply knowledge of the interior angles of a regular polygon; to apply knowledge of angle relationships to tessellations; and to determine an exterior angle of a regular polygon.





A. Standard of Learning: G.10 The student will investigate and use the properties of angles, arcs, chords, tangents, and secants to solve problems involving circles. Problems will include finding the area of a sector and applications of architecture, art, and construction.

Builds On: Students begin to study circles in the Kindergarten SOL continuing in more complexity through the grade 8 SOL.



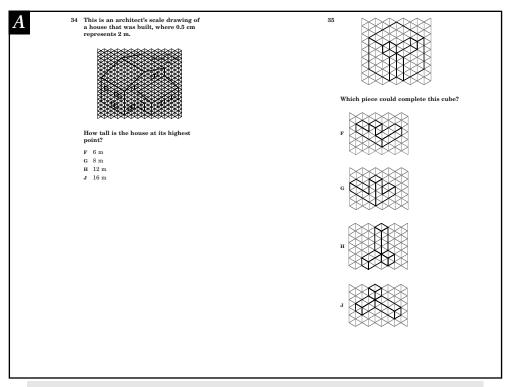
Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to calculate the area of a piece of a sector of a circle; to calculate the area of a sector; to determine an arc measure; and to use the relationship between tangent and secant to solve problems.



Reporting Category: Three-Dimensional Figures

A. Standard of Learning: G.12 The student will make a model of a three-dimensional figure from a two-dimensional drawing and make a two-dimensional representation of a three-dimensional object. Models and representations will include scale drawings, perspective drawings, blueprints, or computer simulations.

Builds On: Students begin work with three-dimensional figures in the grade 2 SOL increasing in complexity through the grade 8 SOL.

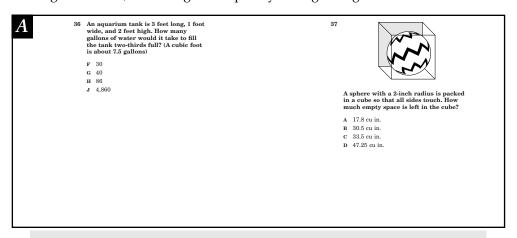


Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to complete a three-dimensional figure drawn on isometric graph paper; and to determine the actual height of a house when given the scale.



A. Standard of Learning: G.13 The student will use formulas for surface area and volume of three-dimensional objects to solve practical problems. Calculators will be used to find decimal approximations for results.

Builds On: Students begin studying volume in the grade 1 SOL and surface area in the grade 2 SOL, increasing in complexity through the grade 8 SOL.



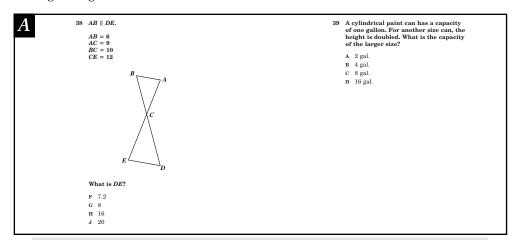
Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to apply the skills for finding the volume of a rectangular solid to a problem situation; and to find the difference in volume between a sphere and the cube that encloses it.

Geometry

End of Course

A. Standard of Learning: G.14 The student, given similar geometric objects, will use proportional reasoning to solve practical problems; investigate relationships between linear, square, and cubic measures; and describe how changes in one of the measures of the object affect the others.

Builds On: Students begin to study similarity in the grade 7 SOL and continue through the grade 8 SOL.



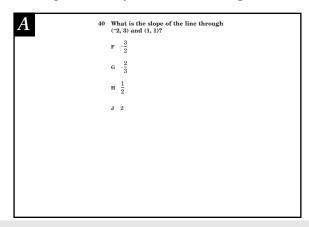
Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to apply knowledge of proportional reasoning to find the missing length of a side of a triangle; and to solve cylindrical volume problems that have a change in height.



Reporting Category: Coordinate Relations, Transformations, and Vectors

A. Standard of Learning: G.2.a The student will use pictorial representations, including computer software and coordinate methods to solve problems involving symmetry and transformation. This will include using formulas for finding distance, midpoint, and slope.

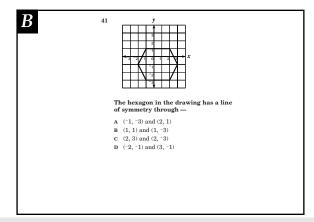
Builds On: Students begin the study of the coordinate plane in the grade 5 SOL.



Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to determine the slope of a line given two points on the line.

B. Standard of Learning: G.2.b The student will use pictorial representations, including computer software and coordinate methods to solve problems involving symmetry and transformation. This will include investigating and determining whether a figure is symmetric with respect to a line or a point.

Builds On: Students begin the study of symmetry in the grade 2 SOL.



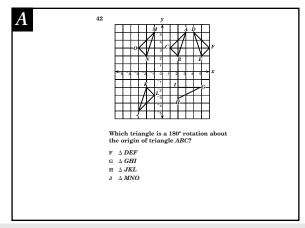
Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to determine the coordinates for a line of symmetry on a graph.

Geometry

End of Course

A. Standard of Learning: G.2.c The student will use pictorial representations, including computer software and coordinate methods to solve problems involving symmetry and transformation. This will include determining whether a figure has been translated, reflected, or rotated.

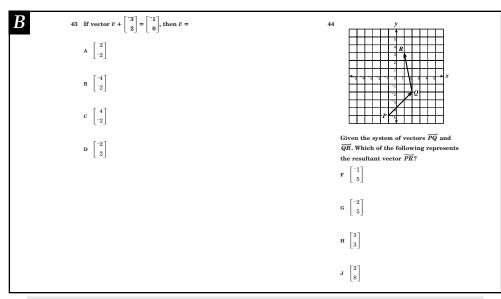
Builds On: Students begin the study of transformations in the grade 8 SOL.



Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to determine a triangle rotated 180° on the coordinate plane.

B. Standard of Learning: G.15.a The student will draw a system of vectors and find the resultant graphically, write the components of a vector as a column matrix, and find the resultant by matrix addition.

Builds On: Students begin to study matrices in the grade 8 SOL.

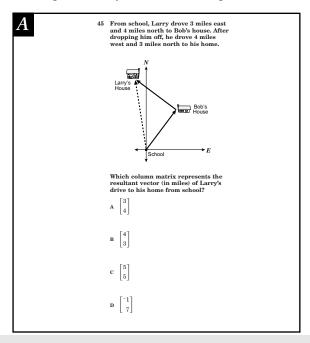


Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to solve a vector equation applying matrix subtraction.



A. Standard of Learning: G.15.b The student will solve practical problems using a system of vectors.

Builds On: Students begin to study matrices in the grade 8 SOL.



Instruction: Provide students an opportunity to determine the resultant vector in column matrix form when given vectors on a graph and to solve a problem using a system of vectors.

Correct Answers

End of Course

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